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on the

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between

Tshwane, South Africa

and

Washington, D.C.,

United States of America





Agreement of Friendship and Cooperation Between the City of Tshwane, South Africa, and the District of Columbia, United States of America

The Executive Mayor of the City of Tshwane, Mayor Kgosientso Ramokgopa, and the Mayor of the District of Columbia, Mayor Vincent C. Gray:

- Guided by the traditional links of friendship and cooperation between the Republic of South Africa and the United States of America and their respective capitals;
- Desiring further to advance the mutual interests and benefits of the citizens of both capital cities that were advanced by the first protocol agreement signed on June 28, 2002; and
- Aware that cities today constitute a vital factor in the sphere of international relations;

Hereby agree to the following:

CULTURAL AND EDUCATIONAL EXCHANGES

The two cities will promote the development of programs in the areas of culture, education, and arts to share experiences and learn from each other. They will also promote educational exchanges between the administrators, teachers, and students of their schools and universities.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TOURISM

The two cities will promote collaboration and joint ventures among their local businesses, chambers of commerce, and entrepreneurs with a special focus on the growth and development of business investment, trade, tourism and public private partnerships to support business development.

PUBLIC HEALTH

The two cities will promote the exchange of social development, health policies, and best practices to strengthen the capacity and effectiveness of prevention and treatment programs, including, but not limited to, HIV/AIDS education, prevention, and treatment and infectious disease control.

GOVERNMENT AND TECHNOLOGY

The two cities will promote collaboration and exchange of ideas in the areas of government operations, E-governance, smart city projects, and green urban development.

PUBLIC SAFETY

The two cities will exchange expertise and best practices in the areas of public safety administration.

TERMS

The two cities may develop additional programs for their mutual benefit.

The two cities will establish committees to support the implementation of this agreement.

This memorandum will be in force on the 7th day of July, 2011 for a period of five years. The cities will assess progress at the end of 2012.

The Office of the Secretary of the District of Columbia and the Office of the Executive Mayor of the City of Tshwane are responsible for the implementation, follow-up, and supervision of the present protocol.

Signed by the Executive Mayor of the City of Tshwane and the Mayor of Washington, D.C. on this 7th day of July 2011.

Kgosientso Ramokgopa

Executive Mayor, City of Tshwane

Vincent C. Gray

Mayor, District of Columbia